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SUBJ: RIOTING IN JAKARTA

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1. I SAW FOREIGN MINISTER ADAM MALIK MORNING JAN 18
AND TAXED HIM ON BRIEF EXPLANATION OF WHAT HAPPENED
LAST FEW DAYS WHICH HE GAVE ME, AND WHICH FORESHADOWED
PRESENTATION REFTEL, AS BELOW.

2. "WHY DID IT HAPPEN, "I ASKED, "IT DID NOT NEED TO
HAPPEN?" MALIK SAID THAT MOST OF THE TROOPS HAD BEEN
SENT OUT OF THE CITY AND THE MILITARY HAD NOT BEEN
EXPECTING SUCH A REACTION.

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3. "BUT FOR DAYS BEFORE THE JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER

ARRIVED IT WAS CLEAR THAT THE STUDENTS WERE IN A MOOD OF PROTEST AND DEMONSTRATION," I CONTINUED. "WHY WERE THE TROOPS OUT OF TOWN?" MALIK SAID THEY HAD BEEN PUTLED OUT FOR PATA (PACIFIC TOURIST ASSOCIATION CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN INDONESIA IN APRIL). I TOLD MALIK I FOUND THIS HARD TO BELIEVE.

4. MALIK THEN CRYPTICALLY SAID
PERHAPS THERE WAS IN-
FIGHTING AMONG THE GENERALS."

5. "YOU MEAN SOMEONE WANTED IT TO HAPPEN" I SUGGESTED.
MALIK SMILED AND MADE NO RESPONSE.

6. "WHAT HAPPENS NEXT," I ASKED. THE SITUATION IS UNDER CONTROL, MALIK ANSWERED. WILL IT STAY UNDER CONTROL, I PERSISTED. MALIK SMILED AND SAID HE DID NOT KNOW.

7. MALIK SAID A NUMBER OF ARRESTS HAD BEEN MADE, AMONG THEM SARBINI (ECONOMICS PROFESSOR AT UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA AND FATHER-IN-LAW OF HERMIAN SIREGAR, "RING LEADER" AT UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA) AND HE THOUGHT POSSIBLY FORMER AMBASSADOR TO U.S. SOEDJATMOKO. (COMMENT: SOEDJATMOKO HAS APPARENTLY NOT BEEN DETAINED SINCE HE TALKED TO AN AMERICAN REPORTER AFTER MY CONVERSATION WITH MALIK. OTHER REPORTS OF DETENTIONS COVERED SEPTTEL. END COMMENT.) MALIK'S FACIAL EXPRESSION INDICATED THAT HE THOUGHT THIS HAD BEEN A MISTAKE. HIS ATTITUDE ALSO INDICATED THAT HE FOUND WHOLE SUBJECT A PAINFUL ONE TO DISCUSS AND I DID NOT PURSUE IT FURTHER.

8. DURING QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD FOLLOWING PRE-SENTATION REFTTEL. MALIK ALSO LET SLIP THAT SUHARTO HAD ORDERED THERE WOULD BE NO SHOOTING WHILE TANAKA WAS HERE. GALBRAITH

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